

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph at page 11, line 19 to page 12, line 8 with the following rewritten paragraph:

A1 In step SP3, if assuming an window function to class tap as "W(K)", the spectrum processing part 11 calculates multiplication data according to the Hamming window shown by the following equation:

$$W[k]=0.45+0.46* \cos(\pi*k/N)$$

$$<k=0, \dots, N-1>$$

Then the spectrum processing part 11 proceeds to step SP4. In this connection, in the multiplication processing of this window function, to improve the accuracy of frequency analysis that will be performed in the following step SP4, the first value and the last value of each class tap formed at this time are made to be equal. Besides, in Equation (4), "N" represents the sample number of Hamming window, and "k" represents the order of sample data.

Please replace the second paragraph at page 17, line 18 to line 22 with the following rewritten paragraph:

A2 Thus, the learner signal generation filter 37 generates learner audio data D37 from the supervisor audio data D30 by predetermined thinning processing, and supplies this to a spectrum processing part 31 and a predictively-operating part extracting part 33, respectively.

Please replace the second paragraph at page 27, line 10 to line 16 with the following rewritten paragraph:

A3 In the aforementioned embodiment, it has dealt with the case where fast Fourier transform is applied. However, the present invention is not only limited to this but also other various frequency analysis means, e.g., discrete Fourier transform (DFT), discrete cosine